

truly an option of the right form in taking children into loving and caring and safe environments to grow and to mature into sound adults is a role all of us ought to be a part of. If you cannot do it as actively as both Mary and I do, then you should be with us in spirit and legislation and participation but help us to grow this marvelous movement.

Last night, with nearly 1,000 people and with the Alis and with Bruce Willis and a good many others, we were very pleased to honor these angels from across the country who Mary has so aptly described as caring, giving, and loving people.

I thank the Senator for yielding and for her great work in this area.

Ms. LANDRIEU. We look forward to a great year.

Madam President, I ask unanimous consent to print in the RECORD the following information which I referenced in my remarks.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### ANGELS IN ADOPTION 2003

Alabama: LaGretta Ratliff, Philip and Gina Richards.

Arizona: Joanne Karolzak, Peter and Pat Likens, David and Diana Lucas, Lance and Barb Trella.

Arkansas: Jan Scholl, Lisenne Rockefeller. California: Jesse and Linda Barela, Cecil and Pamela Ellis, Audrey Foster, Reverend Paul and Linda Hoyt, Karen Lane, Susan Lobo, Dave and Debbie Magnusen, Dr. David Sanders, Shasta County Adoptions Program, Ed and Judy Shrader, Sierra Adoptions Services, Karen Ullman.

Kim Matsunaga, Joshua and Lily Nie. Connecticut: Anthony and Jacquelyn Barrows, Angel Torres.

District of Columbia: Linda Clausen. Florida: Susana Huaman Dragosavac, Family Services of Central Florida, Foster Children's Project Legal Aid Society of PBC, Inc., A.J. and Susan Fremer, Marilyns Llanos, Bill and Patricia Manning, James and Betsy Seifert.

Georgia: Truett Cathy, Amanda Davis, James Outman, Joe Woods.

Hawaii: Steven and Renee Saito. Idaho: Meri Brennan, Jay and Sally Hilderbrandt, John and Denise Martin.

Illinois: Adoption Information Center of Illinois, Dan and Lynn Dempsey, Ben and Sherna Jennings, Sherri Nestmann, Cyndi Norton, Gary and Marla Ringger.

Indiana: Loving Shepherd International, Owino Wodomony and Dalia Owino, James and Verdell Releford.

Iowa: Dr. Rebecca Brandt, Ken and Char Kuhns, Terri and Bruce Lippert. Kansas: Allan Hazlett, Chuck and Ann Vanasse.

Kentucky: James and Judith Green, Saint Joseph Children's Home.

Louisiana: Pam Bolke, Louise Bourne, Karen Caldwell, Beverly Lewis.

Maine: Jennifer Sylvester.

Maryland: Kim and Carol Cormany, Barbara Ann Dorsey, Susan Faro, Mark McDermott.

Massachusetts: Loretta Cahill in memoir, Nancy Hendrie, Margaret O'Grady, Craig and Jane Pixley, Robert and Shirley Siff, Carolyn Smith, Kathleen Teahan.

Michigan: Charlie and Jerry Brown, Jaclyn Hope Champnella, Linda Cromartie, Sandra Jones, Kevin and Mary Julien, Paul and Sherry Petroelje, Alan and Kristine Yeadon.

Minnesota: Becky and Gladys Abbott, Susan Freivalds, Larry and Arlyce Morrell, North American Council on Adoptable Children, Brad and Sandy Powers.

Mississippi: Nancy and Drew McDowell. Missouri: George and Cyrilla Bender, Joan Bystrom, Dean and Sheila Dutton, Randy and Linda Koenig, Laurie Murphy.

Montana: Claire and Patty Walker. Nebraska: Dr. Edward and Sandy Kolb, Patrick and Patrice Lappert, Patrick and Cindy Seitz, Eugene and Cindy Ulmer.

Nevada: Letha Davies, Steve and Kayleen Fotheringham, Rene Phillips.

New Jersey: Eileen Crummy, Janet Farrand, Pamela Hasegawa, Monsignor James J. McGovern, Debra Supnick.

New Mexico: Frank and Donna Payne, Ken and Fran Sullivan.

New York: Rose Marie Battisti-Bruce, Karen Eckert, Family Focus Adoption Services, New Directions Youth and Family Services, Thomasena Newton, Dr. Natasha Shaginan, Sloane Jaclyn Tabisel, Margaret Tomasicchio.

North Carolina: Raymond and Debbie Abrams, Harriet McCarthy.

North Dakota: Lorelei Klitzke.

Ohio: Arden and Diana Brooks, Kevin and Wendy Hoodlebrink, Dorothy Klemm, Rita Soronen.

Oklahoma: Amy Eldridge, David and Kathy Frost, Tom and Jennifer Rudolph.

Oregon: Susan Cox, Franklin Hunsaker, Portland Metro Korean Lions Club, Deborah Radcliffe.

Pennsylvania: Jeffrey and Lydia Buck, Maxine Chalker, Susann Hoke, Marjorie McKeone, Myron and Sally Stoltzfus, Kelley Strieb, Three Rivers Adoption Council, Hanna D. Wallace.

Rhode Island: Chris Cotatgis.

South Carolina: Hal and Diana Stevenson. South Dakota: Harold and Sharon Holder, Jeff and Dori Nelson.

Tennessee: Dr. Paul Heil, Davis and Sherry Lundy, Claude and Bernadette Whatley, Pamela Wolf.

Texas: Jean Boyd, Barry and D'Wanna Finkel, Suzanne Faske and Karen Hall, Anna James, Dorothy Le Pere, Lutheran Social Services of the South, Rodney and Renee Nolen, Judge Peter Sakai, Snow Wu.

Utah: Christena Christensen.

Vermont: Diane Dexter.

Virginia: Bethany Christian Services of Fredericksburg, Bethany Christian Services of Hampton Roads, Chris and Christy Craig, Ronald Federici, Mara Kamen, Dr. Patrick Mason.

West Virginia: Mildred Mairs.

Wisconsin: Mark and Faith Richter KuFahl.

Wyoming: Carol Burman Lindly.

Past Angels in Adoption Award Recipients (1999-2002).

#### LOUISIANA DATA

Number of children in State custody as of year end by age—State fiscal year 03: 0-1, 434; 2-4, 692; 5-9, 929; 10-17, 2,252. Total number of children in foster care—4,307. (Note that in the previous State fiscal year the number was 4416.)

Number of children adopted out of State custody by age—State fiscal year 03: 0-1, 34; 2-4, 152; 5-9, 199; 10-17, 127. Total number of children adopted out of foster care—512. (Note that in the previous State fiscal year the number was 471.)

Number of children reunited with birth families by age—State fiscal year 03: 0-1, 219; 2-4, 326; 5-9, 405; 10-17, 664. Total number of children reunited—1614. (Note that in the previous State fiscal year the number was 1,552.)

Number of children freed for adoption and awaiting placement—State fiscal year 03: 0-

1, 26; 2-4, 110; 5-9, 178; 10-17, 368. Total waiting children—682. (Note in the previous State fiscal year the total was 868.)

#### LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2003

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about the need for hate crimes legislation. On May 1, 2003, Senator KENNEDY and I introduced the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act, a bill that would add new categories to current hate crimes law, sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

I would like to describe a terrible crime that occurred in New Haven, CT. On May 9, 2003, Jessica Mercado, a transgender Latina, was brutally murdered. She was stabbed multiple times and then her body was burned. Her murder is believed to be a hate crime and her murder a result of the homophobia of her attackers.

I believe that Government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act is a symbol that can become substance. I believe that by passing this legislation and changing current law, we can change hearts and minds as well.

#### CHARLES TAYLOR AND LIBERIA

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I rise today to voice my strong support for a provision included by Senator GREGG in the Commerce-Justice-State portion of the emergency supplemental which provides \$2 million for rewards to anyone who brings Charles Taylor before the Special Court for Sierra Leone.

I commend the senior Senator from New Hampshire for his strong leadership on this issue. Just a few months ago, when the Special Prosecutor for Special Court unsealed his indictment against Charles Taylor, he and I came to the Senate floor together to commend this strong and decisive action.

In that colloquy and in other floor statements, I described why it is so important for West Africa, as well as the cause of international justice, to bring Charles Taylor before the Special Court. I will not repeat all of that here today, but I just want to make a couple of additional points. Since his exile to Nigeria, press reports have revealed that Charles Taylor continues to try to foment chaos and instability in Liberia. There is no doubt that he wants to return, and will do so if given the opportunity.

Charles Taylor needs to come before the Special Court. This needs to happen immediately. Allowing him to remain in Nigeria is wrong. It is impeding peace and prosperity in a region that has endured tremendous suffering over the past decade.

The provision included in the supplemental can help get him before the Special Court. I look forward to working with Senators GREGG and HOLLINGS